DISCOVERING HISTORY
HORNDEAN AND DISTRICT U3A

January 2024 - Happy New Year

We have already held three events since our last Newsletter, and all well attended. Moving forward quickly**. We meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month.**

Thursday 8th February, we have booked a guided tour of Fishbourne Roman Palace – details to follow

Thursday 14th March 12.00 noon- Frances Hurd will give a talk Romans to Normans - The birth of the Parish Church, Jubilee Hall, Catherington.

We have made enquires for the Southwick House, Brickworks Museum and Watts Gallery and Chapel. We will try to get some more speakers.

A big thank you to Andy for setting up our facebook page Horndean U3A History Group. We can recommend a visit to the page to see the photos of past events.

Briefly the last three events started with our visit to the Kings Theatre in Southsea in November

What a lovely theatre and we were treated to an introduction and tour by a beautifully dressed Edwardian Gentleman. A big thank you to Mike and Claire our guides. The photo above is part the mural in the upstairs room. Some of the group then visited Cumberland House the Natural History Museum in the afternoon. Below the glass butterflies in the conservatory

In December we visited the Church at Blendworth and the Rev. Joy gave us a talk about the Parish church in Blendworth, starting with a history of the area, the old St Giles church and then the present Holy Trinity Church. We then moved on to the Church hall near the fire station and had drink and some mince pies or cake. We donated to the roof fund in lieu of fee. An excellent talk

Above is Rev. Joy in the church and below you can see our contribution to the Christmas Tree.

A big thank you to Kathy who made Henry V111 & Elizabeth 1st

January took us the Portsmouth Museum and art gallery – lots of local interest. In the afternoon we tagged on to the Portsmouth Cathedral Tour. A beautiful simple Cathedral with a lot of history.

Hoping to see you at Fishbourne next month.

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